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Dennis,

I am not going to be able to making the hearing. So this is what my opinion is:

Calcium Chloride is a tool that has been used in road construction for many years. If used properly I do believe it can be a useful tool. However, if miss applied it can create a hazard to personal property, public property and the environment.

I do believe that is what has happened in the central MT area. Instead of using the recommended rate of 2 lbs per cubic yard of aggregate calcium chloride was applied at a rate of 5 to 6 times the recommended rate.

This lead to the applied roads being a sloppy mess that would not set up. When moisture came or just humidity in the air the road became a sloppy mess again. The corrosive agent depleted the value of my vehicles and machinery. Then this corrosive agent was transferred to private and public property. All a person had to do was look at the local grocery store parking lot and one could tell right where people had to travel from. This parking lot was 20 miles away. Then this corrosive agent ended up in the waste water treatment facility.

It is said that with the addition of calcium chloride to construction it will lower maintenance on the gravel road. I beg to disagree. The road where high rates of calcium chloride were used are full of sharp pot holes. This leads to high maintenance

I do believe that calcium chloride can be a useful tool in road construction if applied at a proper rate and not misused causing a public nightmare.

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